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**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

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Applicants: Kevin T. Stone, et al.  
Group Art Unit: 3731  
Examiner: Melanie Ruano Tyson  
Title: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR SUTURE ANCHORS  
WITH VERTICAL EYELET  
Attorney Docket: 5490-000335

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**AMENDMENT AND PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed March 9, 2007, please amend the application as follows and consider the remarks set forth below.

Applicant hereby petitions under the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) for an extension of time in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action and includes a fee as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a) with this response for such extension of time.

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**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 3 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 13 of this paper.